--- RC-812 - BABN overprint - blue 9 mm. Roman 20 on 25 Cigarettes - Tall Format - from 1961-62 ---

The *tall format* twenty-five cigarette Series "C" imperforate was in use at Montreal by June 1935. Its hidden letters, "B-F" must indicate that the die was approved for BABN early in 1935. This stamp also occurs overprinted bearing a 9 mm. dark blue Roman **20**, plus four 2 mm. squares stacked at the bottom denominations (to form 4 x4 killer slugs), which Lee Brandom included as a 1939-40 overprint. This is incorrect as the overprint dates from 1962.

The overprint shows colour variations ranging from a green-tinted dark blue, to a reddish-blue (which may be the result of bronzing of the "Chinese Blue" pigment in the ink). As shown it also occurs cancelled with three wavy vertical red lines characteristic of "Macdonald Tobacco" in 1961-62.

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the second copy cancelled by "Macdonald Tobacco" in 1961-62

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